GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Forest Department - Diversion of 9.980 Ha. forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for formation of Ghat Road to Kondaveedu Kota, in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Guntur - Permission accorded - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I)DEPARTMENT

G.O Ms. No. 58 Dated:31-05-2014

Read the following:-

- 1.From PCCF, AP, Hyd Lr.Rc.No.58597/2007-F3, Dt; 20-04-2011
- 2. State Govt. Letter No. 251/FOR.I (1)/2010, Dated:19-5-2011.
- 3. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APC801/2011-BAN/9938, dt.18-10-2011
- 4. State Govt. Letter No. 251/FOR.I (1)/2010, Dated:3-5-2012
- 5. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APC801/2011-BAN/2619 dt.8-1-2013
- 6. State Govt. Letter No. 251/For.I(1)/2010, dt.26-11-2013.
- 7. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APC801/2011-BAN/4621, dt.31-12-2013.

ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad in his letter 1st read above, has submitted a proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 14.970 Ha. of forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for formation of Ghat road to Kondaveedu Kota, in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Guntur,, and requested to forward the same to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, for according necessary approval U/s 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

- 2. The said proposal was sent to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, for their approval U/s 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide State Government letter 2nd read above.
- 3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, vide their letter 3rd read above, have observed that the proposed road width of 30 Mtrs is too wide and cutting of hillock for such a wide road will result in severe damage on the existing forest vegetation hence, the proposed road width may be reduced to the minimum and requested the State Government to submit revised proposal for taking further necessary action in the matter.
- 4. The State Government vide letter 4th read above have furnished the revised proposal for diversion of 9.980 Ha. forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for formation of Ghat Road to Kondaveedu Kota, in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Guntur to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests.
- 5. The Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, in their letter 5th read above, have accorded their approval in-principle (Stage-I) U/s 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for the proposal, for a period of 20 years, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.
- 6. The State Government vide letter 6th read above, have furnished compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, while according in-principle (Stage-I) approval.
- 7. Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, in their letter 7th read above, have accorded their approval (Stage-II) U/s 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 9.980 Ha. forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for formation of Ghat Road to Kondaveedu Kota, in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Guntur, for a period of 20 years, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

- 8. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad, for diversion of 9.980 Ha. forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for formation of Ghat Road to Kondaveedu Kota, in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Guntur, for a period of 20 years, subject to the following conditions:-
 - (i) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
 - (ii) The demarcation of the forest area proposed for diversion shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency. The forest land shall be transferred to User agency only after completion of demarcation of the entire area proposed for diversion.
 - (iii) The compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over 9.98 ha. of non-forest land in Sy.No.439 (part) of Ayyannapalem village, Bollapalli Mandal, Guntur District at the cost of User Agency.
 - (iv) Non-forest land for Compensatory afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as RF/PF under Indian Forest Act,1927 or the State Forest Act and Nodal Officer (FCA) shall report the compliance within 6 months.
 - (v) Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the user agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
 - (vi) Wherever feasible on either side of the road, User Agency shall raise and maintain 20 meter width strip plantation as per the technical guidance of Forest Department.
 - (vii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 9.980 Ha. In case the land is not taken over by the User Agency or the same is not used for the stipulated purpose within in a period of two years, then the area shall be taken back by Forest Department.
 - (viii) Any other condition that the Additional Principle Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore may impose from time to time for protection, improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area and for public purpose.
- 9. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is directed to take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

D.LAKSHMI PARTHA SARATHY BHASKAR, SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Regional Office (Southern Zone) Kendriya Sadan, IV Floor, E & F Wings, 17th Main Road, II Block, Koramangala, BANGALORE -560 034.

The Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Guntur SF/SC

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //